

SHALL ABIDE IN THY TABERNACLE?
SHALL DWELL IN THY HOLY HILL?
SHALL ASCEND THE HILL OF THE LORD?
SHALL STAND IN HIS HOLY PLACE?



"LORD, WHO SHALL ABIDE IN THY TABERNACLE?
WHO SHALL DWELL IN THY HOLY HILL?
—PSALM 15:1 KJV

VALLEY GRACE BRETHREN CHURCH OF ARMAGH, PA May 19TH, ad 2024

THE LORD'S DAY

The Nineteenth Day of May, in the Year of our Lord 2024

Welcome to the worship services of Valley Grace Brethren Church!

Sunday School—9:30 AM.

We continue our exciting and illuminating studies in Church History—a too often neglected topic!

Morning Worship—9:30 AM.

Call to Worship:* "At the Cross" (#153; Chorus ONLY).

Invocation.*

Hymn: "All Glory Laud and Honor" (#17).

Prayer for Tithes & Offerings.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 24.

Prayer, Praises, & Testimony.

Hymn: "A New Name Written Down in Glory" (#189).

Announcemnts.

Hymn: "My Redeemer" (#296).

Dismissal of Youth for Children's Church.

Greeting One Another.

Message: "WHO MAY ASCEND?" (INTRODUCTION: SOTERIOLOGY)

Closing Hymn:* "Praise Him! Praise Him" (#59).

Benediction.*



Stewardchip Week of May 12 – May 18

Sunday School—6; Morning Worship—II; Midweek-No Service District Conf.—I4 (I VGBC); Offering—\$1,155.01 Video (Rumble, YouTube, Facebook)—59

AFRICA UPDATE: May 13, 2024 (Pastor Keith Merriman)

Dear beloved brethren.

Greetings in the Lord Jesus Christ.



Pastor Augustine is pastor of one of the CGBCI churches in Congo DRC. He is leading the ministry in that country. Pastor Daniel Miller and I met him when we were in Tanzania. He recently had a hernia operation that went well. We were able to send him \$250 from Africa Relief funds to cover the costs. He says thanks so much

(see picture).

I also wanted to thank all of you who gave for food relief for NW Cameroon. We raised almost \$8000 to help our brothers and sisters there.

From brother Samuel Ndjembass:

"The church of Bamenda received a gift from you for food. Thanks. God bless the source."

From brother Yengo Paul Njombo (May 12, 2024):

Hello Pastor Keith, greetings from Ibal Oku. I write to thank you so much for the food support our church has been receiving from you, we are just more than grateful.

Nobody by word of mouth can be able to say how this food relieved us of the food crises we are currently facing here now with the situation not seeming to improve in the days ahead.

However our God is faithful, he has promised never to forsake his own. We are praying the Lord replenish the source. Extend our greetings to the Brethren in the mighty name of Jesus Christ.

Remain blessed.

Also a thank you from Mbockenghas GBC in NW Cameroon:

"Dear beloved pastor Keith. We the church of Mbockenghas are very thankful for you, and we really thank you for the great gift that you have given to us and we all greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we pray that God should bless you more and more."

God bless you all for your gifts and prayers as we wait for our Savior from heaven to come and take us home. Keith

UPDATE ON GUS

Mark Joubert (Gus' Dad); 5/17/24



Pastor Reese's note: Since our last update, we have learned that Gus requires surgery on the tricuspid valve of the heart, which could be crucial with regard to the kidney issue.

Despite the discouragement and risks of heart surgery, the family's back is against the wall, so to speak—it seems

that without the surgery, there seems to be little hope for the kidneys.

We have a new date for Gus' open heart surgery. He is scheduled (second attempt) for this Monday, May 20. He'll go in around 8 am. After prep, surgery will probably begin around 9 am. It will be a long day. For those who have been following, the goal is to repair his tricuspid valve as much as possible and reduce tricuspid regurgitation as part of a larger effort to stave off renal failure.

He's in a good position despite the kidney issues and recent infection. He's made amazing progress over the last month. Some of the biggest concerns going in include the risk of severe bleeding at the onset of the surgery (due to scar tissue from the first surgery), and post-op recovery complications (e.g. heart stiffness, diastolic dysfunction). Thank you for the prayer and support. God has been kind. His grace is sufficient.